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His Majeſty's
DECLARATION
Of WAR againſt the King of Spain.

GEORGE *REX.*

WHEREAS many unjuſt Seizures have been made, and Depredations carried on, for ſeveral Years, in the Weſt Indies, by Spaniſh Guarda Coſtas, and other Ships, acting under the Commiſſion of the King of Spain, or his Governor, contrary to the Treaties ſubſiſting between Us and the Court of Spain, and to the Law of Nations, to the great Prejudice of the lawful Trade and Commerce of our Subjects; and great Cruelties and Barbarities have been exerciſed on the Perſons of divers of our Subjects, whoſe Veſſels have been ſo ſeized; and the Britiſh Colours have been inſulted in the moſt ignominious Manner; and whereas we have cauſed frequent Complaints to be made to the King of Spain of theſe violent, and unjuſt Proceedings, but no Satisfaction or Redreſs has been given for the ſame, notwithſtanding the many Promiſes made and Cedules iſſued, ſigned by the ſaid King, or by his Order, for that Purpoſe; and whereas the Evils, above mentioned have been principally occaſioned by an unwarrantable Claim, and Pretenſion, ſet up on the Part of Spain, that the Guarda Coſtas, and other Ships, authorized by the King of Spain may ſtop, detain, and ſearch the Ships and Veſſels of our Subjects navigating in the American Seas, contrary to the Liberty of Navigation, to which our Subjects have not only an equal Right with thoſe of the King of Spain, by the Law of Nations, but which is moreover expreſly acknowledged and declared to belong to them by the moſt ſolemn Treaties, and particularly by that concluded in the Year 1670; And whereas the ſaid groundeleſs Claim and Pretenſion, and the unjuſt Practice of ſtopping, detaining, and ſearching Ships and Veſſels, navigating in the Seas of America, is not only of the moſt dangerous, and deſtructive Conſequence to the lawfull Commerce of our Subjects, but alſo tends to interrupt and obſtruct the free Intercourſe and Correſpondence between our Dominions in Europe, and our Colonies and Plantations, in America, and by Means thereof, to deprive us, and our Subjects of the Benefit of thoſe Colonies and Plantations; a Conſideration of the higheſt Importance to us, and our Kingdoms; and a Practice which muſt affect, in its Conſequence, all other Princes and States of Europe, poſſeſſed of Settlements in the Weſt Indies, or whoſe Subjects carry on any Trade thither; And whereas beſides the notorious Grounds of Complaint abovementioned, many other infractions have been made on the Part of Spain, of the ſeveral Treaties and Conventions ſubſiſting between us and that Crown, and particularly of that concluded in the Year 1667, as well by the exorbitant Duties and Impoſitions laid upon the Trade and Commerce by our Subjects, as of the Breach of ancient and eſtabliſhed Priviledge, ſtipulated for them by the ſaid Treaties; For the Redreſs of which Grievances, the ſtrongeſt Inſtances have been, from Time to Time, made by our ſeveral Miniſters reſiding in Spain without any Effect; And whereas a Convention, for making reparation to our Subjects for the Loſſes ſuſtaind by them, on account of the unjuſt Seizures and Depredations commited by the Spaniards in America, and in order to prevent for the future all the Grievances and Cauſes of Complaint therein, taken Notice of, and to remove abſolutely for ever, every Thing which might give occaſſion thereto was concluded between us and the King of Spain, on the 14th Day of January laſt, N S. by which Convention it was ſtipulated, that a certain Sum of Money ſhould be paid at London, within a Term therein ſpecified, as a Ballance admitted to be due, on the Part of Spain, to the Crown & Subjects of Great-Britain, which Term expired on the 25th of May laſt, and the Payment of the ſaid Sum was not made, according to the Stipulation for that Purpoſe; by which Means the Convention above mentioned was manifeſtly violated and broken by the King of Spain, and our Subjects remained without any Satisfaction or Reparation for the many grievous Loſſes ſuſtained by them: And the Methods, agreed upon by the ſaid Convention, in order to the obtaining future Security for the Trade and Navigation of our Subjects are, contrary to good Faith, fruſtrated and defeated: In Conſequence of which, we found ourſelves obliged, for vindicating the Honour of our Crown, &c and for procuring Reparation and Satisfaction for our injured Subjects, to order, that general Reprizals ſhould be granted againſt the King of Spain, his Vaſſals and Subjects and their Ships, Goods, and Effects: And whereas the Court of Spain has been induced to colour the open Violation of the Convention aforeſaid, by Reaſons and Pretences which are void of all Foundation. And, at the ſame Time, has not only, publiſhed an Order, ſigned by the ſaid King, for ſeizing the Ships, Goods and Effects belonging to us and our Subjects, where ever they ſhall be met with, but has cauſed Seizures to be actually made of the Goods and Effects of our Subjects, reſiding within his Dominions, and has alſo ordered our ſaid Subjects to depart out of the Spaniſh Dominions, within a ſhort limited Time contrary to the expreſs Stipulations of the Treaties between the two Crowns, even in Caſe of a War actually declared. We have taken into our Royal and moſt ſerious Conſideration theſe Injuries, which have been offered to us and our Subjects, and the manifeſt Violation of the ſeveral Treaties ſubſiſting between the two Crown; all which have been, in many Particulars, eluded, or evaded, by the unwarrantable Behaviour of the Court of Spain; and their Offices, notwithſtanding the repeated Inſtances we have given, of our Deſire to cultivate a good Underſtanding with the King of Spain, and the eſſential Proofs of our Friendſhip and Regard for him and his Family, which we have demonſtrated to all the World: And being fully ſatisfied, that the Honour our of Crown, the Intereſt of our Subjects, and that Regard which ought to be had to the moſt ſolemn Treaties,

call upon us to make use of the Power which God has given us, for vindicating our undoubted Right, and securing to our loving Subjects the Priviledges of Navigation and Commerce, to which they are justly intitled:

We therefore, relying on the Help of Almighty God, who knows the Uprightness of our Intentions, have thought fit to declare, and do hereby declare War against the said King of Spain: And we will, in Pursuance of such Declaration, vigorously prosecute the said War, being assured of the ready Concurrence and Assistance of all our loving Subjects in so just a Cause, wherein the Honour of our Crown, the Maintenance of our solemn Treaties, and the Trade and Navigation of our Subjects (which are so essential to the Welfare and Prosperity of this Nation, and which we are determined at all times, with our utmost Power to preserve and support) are so greatly concerned: And we do hereby will and require our Generals and Commanders of our Forces, our Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral of Great-Britain, our Lieutenants of our several Counties, Governors of several Forts and Garrisons, and all other Officers, and Soldiers under them, by Sea & Land, to do and execute all Acts of Hostility in the Prosecution of this War against the said King of Spain, his Vassals and Subjects, and to oppose their Attempts: And we do hereby command, as well our own Subjects, as advertise all other Persons, of what Nation soever, not to transport or carry any *Soldiers*, Arms, Powder, Ammunition, or other contraband Goods, to any of the Territories, Lands, Plantations, or Countries of the said King Spain: Declaring, that whatsoever Ship or Vessel shall be met withal, transporting or carrying any *Soldiers*, Arms, Powder, Ammunition, or other contraband Goods, to any of the Territories, Lands, Plantations, or Countries of the said King of *Spain*, the same being taken, the same being taken, shall be condemned as good and lawful Prize. *Given at our Court at Kensington the 19th Day of October* 1739, *in the* 13*th Year of our Reign.*

God save the King.

CHARLES-TOWN, *March* 8

Abstract of a private Letter from a Gentleman in Jamaica, to a Gentleman in this Town, dated January the 18*th*, 1739-40.

Admiral *Vernon* arrived here a few Days ago from *Porto Bello*, which he has totally destroy'd, by beating down all their Castles, and bringing away all their Guns and other warlike Stores from all the Forts, *&c* And also by taking two Spanish Men of War of (Twenty Guns each) there The Seamen were not allow'd to plunder the Town as there was no absolute Proclamation of War.

There is a Report now current with us, that our Admiral has receiv'd a Letter from Don *Blos* the *Spanish* Admiral, where he in a haughty, imperious Manner says, *You have done great Feats indeed, you have taken* Porto Bello. *But I hope to have the Pleasure of shaking Hands with you at* Carthagena, *where you'll find a much warmer Reception, or I'll do myself the Honour of waiting on you at* Jamaica.

A Fleet of 21 Sail is just arrived from *England*, consisting of two Sixty Gun Ships, two Bomb Ketches, two Fire-Ships and 4 Tenders, besides some Store-Ships and some Merchant-Men? In short *Jamaica*, is now the very Seat of War. We have now at *Port-Royal* a most glorious Fleet, consisting of Nineteen Men of War, besides Bomb-Ketches, Fireships, *&c.* The Admiral is fitting out again with the utmost Expedition (it is suppos'd) to attack Don *Blos*, *&c* War will be proclaim'd here to-Morrow.

The above Letter exceedingly commends Admiral *Vernon*.

We hear from Savannah, that the Rev. Mr. *Whitefield* has taken Possession of a Tract of Land, containing 500 Acres, which has various kinds of soil on it, and great part of it very good, 'tis likewise well stock'd with Poultry, and is almost all fenced in, 50 Persons are now at Work upon the Orphan House, which is scituated upon a high Bluff with a pleasant Prospect before it, it is to be 60 Feet long, and 40 Feet wide, with a Yard & Garden before and behind. The Foundation is to be Brick, and is to be sunk 4 Feet within and rais'd 3 Feet above the Ground, which is intended for a Kitchen Cellar, &c. The House is to be two Stories with a Hipp Roof, the first 10 and the 2d 9 Feet high? there will be near 20 commodious rooms, behind will be a *Still* House, and two other Houses, the one for an Infirmary, and the other for the Cotton Manufacture which he intends to prosecute with all possible Expedition: He has called the Place BETHESDA *the House of Mercy*, near 30 Children are now in his House at *Savannah* who go to School 5 Hours in the Day, and the Remainder of it are employed in Works suitable to their different Ages, but chiefly in picking and carding Cotton, a great quantity of which he has bought already, and has agreed to take all the Cotton, Hemp and Flax that the Colony shall produce this Year.

Custom House CHARLES-TOWN, *entered inwards*, Punter and *Kennel from Bristol. Waterhouse & Odierne from N England. Wentworth from Piscataqua. Brown from Boston. Wright from France. Magee from Belfast. Kenelas from Jamaica. Stedman from Philadelphia. Palmer from Barbados. Mallone from Africa. Jones from Poole, & Wood from Gibraltar.*

Entred outwards. Gosslewaite, Wentworth, Hastings, Palmer, Brown & Wright for London. Stapler for Cowes. Punter for Plymouth, and Jones for Poole.

Clear'd for Departure. Crank & Wright to London. Deeds to Cowes. Iven to Portugal. Petty to Providence.

EXPORTED from *Nov.* 1, 1739.

Barrels of

Rice 24805 Tarr 913.
Pitch 2175. Turpentine 50.

PRICE of the following Goods.

Rice 35 s. *per C.*
Pitch 10 s.
Tar 35 s. to 20 s.
Turpentine 20 s.
Skins 17 6 d. to 18 s. 6 d.
Flour *per C.* 60 s.
Middling bread 5 l.
Milk —— 2 l. 10 s. *per* qu. Cask.
White —— 2 l. per ditto.
Brown —— 3 l.
Ship —— 3 l 10 s.
Coarse Salt *per Bush* 17 d.
Fine Salt 22 s. 6 d.
Indian Corn 7 s. 6 d.
Jamaica Rum *per* Hhds. 20 l.
Limejuice 15 s.
Barbados Rum *per Hhds.* 18 l.
Melasses *per Hogsh.* 9 *lb.* 9 d.
Madeira Wine, per Pipe 90 l.
Vidonia Wine, *per* ditto 80 l.
Antigua and Mountserrat Rum 17 *lb.* 6 d

Whereas JOHN MACKENZIE intends for *England* in *April* next, he requests all who are indebted to him by Bond, Note or otherwise, before his present Partnership, to come and discharge their respective Debts before the first Day of *April* next, and all those who have not yet settled their Accounts, he insists they shall give him at least the Satisfaction of some Security before his Departure, or they may guess the Consequence of their neglecting to take proper Notice of this Advertisement.

And as *Francis Sureau* has given me full Power to collect all his Debts, I intend at my Departure to leave the Books in the Hands of *James Wright* Esq; to recover all that shall be then outstanding, which Hint I hope will prevail with all that are indebted to him to pay the same to me without any Charge, before the first of *April* next.

Likewise all that are indebted to *Watsone & McKenzie* are desired to pay off their Accounts, or at least come and settle.

SEIZ'D by an Execution for Quit-Rents, four Negroes, and to be sold by

Geo: Saxby Dep. Rec.

At the Corner of Broad-street and Church-street, opposite to Mr *Shepard* Vintner liveth *John Scott* Gun Maker from *London* who performs all sorts of Gun or Pistol Work for ready Money only.

On Monday the 24th of this Instant (*March*) will begin the Sale of the late Dr. *Nicholas Trott's* books, at his House, where any Person may come and take what they like, the Price will be set upon each Book, they chiefly consist of Divinity, History and Law. And the Sale will continue till they are all dispos'd of. *Sarah Trott.*

N.B. I have a very good Negro Cooper to dispose of.

Just Imported from Belfast, and to sold by *Nath. Magee*, Choice good Irish Butter in small Casks, Beef, Linnen, and Cloth of sundry Prices, to be seen at the Shop of the Widow *Fisher* upon the Bay, or on Board the Snow Margaret & Mary, lying at Mr. Elliot's Wharf, the said Magee will sell at a very reasonable Rate, for ready Money.

☞ The Rev. Mr. WHITEFIELD is hourly expected here.

Run away on Sunday last, a white Apprentice Boy, about 15 Years of Age, (from on Board the Loyal Judith, John Drummond Master) named Benoni Anderton had when he went away a grey Coat without sleeves, red Cap, Antigua born, freckled, but of a fair Complexion. Whoever takes him up and brings him to said Drummond, on board said sloop shall have 40 sh. reward, & reasonable Charges.

To be sold at Publick sale, the first Tuesday in April next, a Brick house in the Town of Dochester, lately belonging to Mr. Gillson Clapp, & a Tract of very good Land containing 103 Acres, within a Mile of the same & fronting the River; one or two Years time will be given for the Payment of the Money, paying Interest & giving Security if required. The sale to be at Ten o'Clock in the Morning at Dorchester Town.

Run away the fifth Inst. from the Plantations of Samuel Wragg Esq; at Ashley Barrony, a Servant Man named Hugh Curtis, a tall, slim pock fretten Fellow, about 27 Years of Age, had on when he went away, a blue Cloth Coat, an Osnabrig Jacket and Kersey Breeches, shoes and stockings, at the same time run-away George Law, a tall slim Lad, fair Complexion, about 19 Years of Age, had on when he went away, a Pea Jacket and Breeches, new Stockings and Shoes; they took with them a pair of Pistols, Ammunition, and each a Hanger, tis suppos'd they are gone to the Northward. Any Person apprehending the said white Servants, or either of them, and will deliver them to Mr. Rattery at the Barrony, or to Joseph Wragg Esq; in Charlestown, shall receive 10 l. for the first, and 5 l for the last, and all reasonable Charges from Joseph Wragg.

TO BE SOLD

At publick Vendue, at George-Town, on Tuesday the 16th Day of April next, for one Year's Credit, paying Interest from the Day of Sale, and giving sufficient Security if required, a choice parcel of Plantation Slaves, Horses, Plantation Tools, &c belonging to the Estate of Ja: Gordon deceased. Also sundry Tracts of Land on Peedee River, and two (one of 1550 and t'other of 1050 Acres) within a Mile and an half of George Town, 1000 Acres of which is exceeding good Rice Land. Any Person inclinable to purchase the Lands may be further inform'd by Wm. Swinton and Geo: Pawley two of the Executors of the said Estate at Winyaw.

All Persons indebted to the said Estate, are desired to discharge their respective Debts by the Day of Sale to said Swinton & Pawley at Winyaw, or to Cleland & Wallace in Charlestown the other Executors of said Estate.

And whoever have any Demands on the said Estate, are desired to give in their Accounts duely attested to any of the said Executors, so that Measures may be taken for the Discharge thereof.

TO BE SOLD

At publick Vendue, at my Plantation about 3 Miles over Ashley River, on Wednesday the 19th Inst. a choice parcel of Slaves most of them this Country born, one Carpenter, one Cooper, and some good House Wenches, a parcel of young Cattle, 3 Yoke of working Oxen, several riding Horses and Mares, a Chest of Carpenter's & Joyner's Tools, and some Houshold Goods, also a good Tract of Land, containing 572 Acres, with a good Dwelling house and Barn thereon, about 60 Acres clear'd, joining one side on Mr. Grimke's Plantation at Spoon Savannah, and on the other side on Mr Wm. Harvey's Plantation, about 6 Miles from a Landing, about 400 Acres of it good Rice Land. And I desire all Persons who have Demands on the Estate of my late Husband, to bring in their Accounts properly attested to Mr Wm. Elliot in Charlestown, or to myself as Administratrix, on or before the 25th of March next, that Care may be taken to discharge the same. Martha Boothe.

To be sold by the Printer hereof,
Price 5 s.
A choice Collection of Psalms and Hymns,
By the Rev. Mr. John Wesley.
Itinerant Preacher in England,
And Predecessor to the Rev. Mr. Whitefield.

Just imported in the Charming Nancy, and to be sold by Ch: Steadman at his store next to Mr. Motte, double & single refin'd sugar, writing paper, Tea Tables and Tea boards, chequed Linnens, Florence Oyl, Gun & Pistol Powder, Looking Glasses and several sorts of Glass Ware, Copper Tea Kettles, Dutch Quills, and fine Dutch Delph Ware, and several other Goods for ready Money.

All Persons indebted to the Estate of Wm. Elliot late deceased, are desired immediately to discharge the same, or at least to give their Bonds and Notes to me for the Payment thereof, or they must not think it hard if they are sued, it being now about 17 Months since the Death of my Father, and there are very few who were indebted to him that think it worth their while to speak to me of their Accounts, and some of them I verily believe (by their Behaviour) are in Hopes that I know nothing of their Debt, and that they shall escape Payment, but such may expect not to be favour'd at all, unless they double their Diligence, and make speedy Payments, or at least give Security for the same, for I desire nothing unreasonable of any indebted to the said Estate, and if they have no Money, their Bonds or Notes shall be sufficient to me the only surviving Executor. William Elliot.

Run away on the 2d of *January* last from Mrs. *Harvey* a Negro Wench named *Bella* had on went she away a Scorch Plad Gown, but changes Cloathes, and is harbour'd in and about the Town, whoever takes her up and brings her to me in *Charlestown* shall be reasonably rewarded by. *Sarah Harvey.*

Just Imported and to be Sold by *Stead* and *Evance* and Comp.

Excellent old *St.* Kits Rum, Sugar, Mellasses, and Port Wine at moderate Prices. *Said Stead* desires all Persons indebted to the Estate of Mr. Peter Horry deceased, to take Notice, that if their several Debts are not discharged by the 10th of May next, he will actually put them in Suit without any further Notice.

As Administrator to the Estate of Mr. Rich. Tidmarsh deceased, he requests all Persons any Ways indebted to that Estate, to come and discharge their several Debts forthwith, or they may expect to be sued without further Notice.

Good Rice at the Market Price will be taken in Payment by. *Benjamin Stead.*

The Partnership between Mess. *Mowbray & Chalmers* and my self, being now by mutual Consent dissolved, and as I am fully impowered to receive and discharge all Debts due to the Copartnership, I hereby give publick Notice, that unless the Copartnership's Debts, as well as those particularly due to my self, are paid or satisfied by the first Day of *May* next, I shall certainly put them in Suit. *William Brisbane.*

To be Let or Sold a Plantation, containing 827 Acres, near the Quarter-house, with a Dwelling house and out Buildings, and very good Pasturage, belonging to Mr. *Wm. Dry*, and likewise to be sold on the said Plantation, a quantity of Indian Corn, red Pease, and rough Rice; whoever has a mind to purchase may treat with. *Joseph Blake.*

TO BE SOLD

At Publick Vendue at Mr. Edw. Keating's in Goose-Creek, on Tuesday the 18th. March next for Payment the first of January next allowing interest, a choice parcel of well seasoned Plantation Slaves, among which is a very good Cooper. Also 400 Acres of choice Land on Biggin Swamp, lying between the Plantations of *James Maxwell* and *Thomas Mott* Esqrs; The Conditions of Sale to be seen at the Place and Time appointed.

David Dalbiac is removed into one of Mr. Crokatt's Tenements fronting Habkaw Landing, at the Sign of the White Horse, and continues to sell all sorts of dry Goods, Madeira Wine, Rum, Muscovado and Loaf Sugar, Coffee, Tea and Chocolate, very good Cheshire Cheese & Butter. He again desires all Persons who are indebted to him, to discharge their respective Debts by the 25th of this Inst. or he shall find himself obliged to put all Bonds & Notes and other Accounts in Suit.